# **Specification Amendments:**

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#### Page 2B

Please replace page 2B, line 1 with the following: -Object of the invention SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.

Please delete page 2B, line 6: -General description of invention.

## Page 3

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Please replace the paragraph between line 4 and line 19 with the following: Figs. 2 and 3 show, in an enlarged section of Fig. 1, various embodiments of the parallel connection of the various pyrotechnic charges 14. Each pyrotechnic charge 14 comprises in the represented embodiment a filament 20 which is interconnected between the two connection lines 16 and contacts the same. The filament can be introduced into the airbag material 10 or applied onto, the material 10, as represented. Subsequently, an explosive coating [[22]] 22/22' is applied over the filament 20 onto the airbag material 10 and the filament 20. The explosive coating [[22]] 22/22' can here comprise a lateral dimension being larger than the corresponding dimension of the filament 20. Thereby, the thread of the airbag material to be destroyed is destroyed over a greater length when the device is ignited. In the direction of the extension of the filament 20, too, the extension of the crack in the airbag hull can be influenced by appropriately dimensioning the explosive coating [[22]] 22/22'. By an enlarged dimension of the explosive coating in

this direction (cf. Fig. 3), the width of the region to be blasted can be directly influenced.

Please replace the paragraph between line 20 and line 24 with the following: Figs. 4 and 5 show a possible arrangement of the various elements of the pyrotechnic charge 14 on the airbag material. The filament 20 can, for example, be printed of conductive silver directly onto the airbag. Then, in an additive process, the explosive material [[22]] 22" is applied onto this filament 20 in its desired dimension.

Please replace the paragraph between line 26 and line 30 with the following:

An alternative embodiment of the pyrotechnic charges 14 using an electrically conductive explosive is shown in Fig. 6. In this embodiment, the pyrotechnic charge 14 comprises an explosive coating [[22]] 22''' made of an electrically conductive explosive which is applied between the two connection lines 16 for the pyrotechnic charge 14, such that the explosive coating [[22]] 22''', electrically contacts the two connection lines 16. When this pyrotechnic charge 14 is provided with the

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